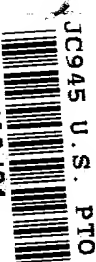


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Request for Filing a Continuation, Divisional or  
Continuation-in-Part Application Under 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Patent Application

NASA Docket No. KSC-12092

Class \_\_\_\_\_ Subclass \_\_\_\_\_

Prior Application:

Examiner Chevalier, A Art Unit 1772JC996 U.S. PTO  
09/939286

THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a ☒ continuation, ☐ continuation-in-part, or ☐ divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of  
37 CFR 1.53(b) of prior application,

Serial No. 09/302,315 Confirmation No. \_\_\_\_\_ Filed: \_\_\_\_\_Entitled: Thermal Insulation System and Method

by the following named inventor(s):

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☒ 1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the specifications, claims, drawings and declaration as originally filed.

☐ 2. Cancel in this application original claims \_\_\_\_\_  
of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing.)

☐ 3. A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in prior application.)

The filing fee is calculated on the basis of claims existing in the prior application as amended at 2, above.

FOR (1)	CLAIMS NUMBER		RATE (4)	CALCULATIONS (5)
	PAID FOR (2)	EXTRA (3)		
TOTAL CLAIMS	- 35	= 15	X 18.00	= \$270.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	- 6	= 3	X 80.00	= \$240.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable)	-----			=
BASIC FEE	-----			+ \$710.00
TOTAL				= \$1,220.00

☒ 4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required to effect only the filing of this application under 37 CFR 1.16 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0116

☐ 5. A new declaration is included (required for continuation or divisional application adding new inventor, and in continuation-in-part applications).

☒ 6. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the following sentence:

"This application is a ☐ division, ☐ continuation-in-part, or

☒ continuation of application Serial No. 09/302,315, filed 04/29/1999

☐ 7. New formal drawings are enclosed.

☒ 8. Non publication request and certification is enclosed (PTO/SB/35 or equivalent).

☒ 9. The prior application is assigned of record to:  
Admininstrator of the National Aeronautic & Space Administration

☒ 10. The Power of Attorney in the prior application is to (Name and registration number):

☐ a. Registered practioners at Customer No.: \_\_\_\_\_

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☐ 11. A Power of Attorney is enclosed.

☒ 12. Also enclosed: IDS, and Postcard

Address all future communications

☐ a. Customer No.: \_\_\_\_\_

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August 20, 2001  
(Date)

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(Signature - Attorney of Record) (Registration Number)

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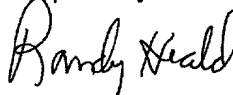
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United States Department of Commerce  
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Attn: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The enclosed application is being filed in accordance with 37 CFR 1.53(b) in order to obtain a filing date of August 20, 2001. The application is being sent by EXPRESS MAIL "Post Office to Addressee" under Certificate ET346435537US. We request that the parent case 09/302,315 be abandoned after this case has been entered.

Respectfully submitted,



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I hereby certify that the attached application "Thermal Insulation System and Method" is being deposited with the United States Postal service on August 20, 2001, as Express Mail "Post Office to Addressee" under Certificate ET346435537US, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, DC 20231.



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**NONPUBLICATION REQUEST  
UNDER  
35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

First Named Inventor Augustynowicz, et. al.

Title Thermal Insulation System and  
Method

Atty Docket Number KSC-12092

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

August 20, 2001  
Date

Randy Heald  
Signature

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Typed or printed name

This request must be signed in compliance with 37 CFR 1.33(b) and submitted with the application **upon filing**.

Applicant may rescind this nonpublication request at any time. If applicant rescinds a request that an application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b), the application will be scheduled for publication at eighteen months from the earliest claimed filing date for which a benefit is claimed.

If applicant subsequently files an application directed to the invention disclosed in the attached application in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications eighteen months after filing, the applicant **must** notify the United States Patent and Trademark Office of such filing within forty-five (45) days after the date of the filing of such foreign or international application. **Failure to do so will result in abandonment of this application (35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(iii)).**

Burden Hour Statement: This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.213(a). The information is used by the public to request that an application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b) (and the PTO to process that request). Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This form is estimated to take 6 minutes to complete. This time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.